Health and Wellness Conference Update:

New Announcements

CONFERENCE RATE SLASHED TO \$15!!!

NEW REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 9TH

SOME BUS SERVICE SEATS STILL AVAILABLE

A few announcements about the "On the Road to a Healthy Future", the Health and Wellness Conference for deaf, hard of hearing and deafblind Wisconsinites on September 19th at the Madison Marriott West Hotel:

- Registration has been reduced from \$25 to \$15.
- The registration deadline has been moved to Friday, September 9th.
- There are still some seats available for bus services especially from points like LaCrosse, Eau Claire, Wausau and Green Bay. Register immediately if you want to ride in one of the services (again, first come first served).

Appleton: Park and Ride (Ballard and Hwy 41) board at 6:45 am

Wausau: Shopko (200 S 18the Avenue) board at 6:45 am

Eau Claire: Oakwood Mall (parking lot, SW corner) board at 5:45 am

La Crosse: Valley View Park and Ride board at 6:00 am

Gertrude Galloway, "Gertie", will be the keynote speaker. She is known to many in the American Deaf Community and currently serves as President of Deaf Seniors of America (DSA), Inc. She was also the first female President of the National Association of the Deaf and the superintendent of the New Jersey School for the Deaf. She is now retired and lives in Austin, Texas. She will talk about elder abuse in her keynote speech. She will also give closing remarks at the end of the conference.

<u>Tentative Conference Agenda:</u>

8:00-10:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast

10:15 am Opening Remarks: Tammy Baldwin, US

Representative, Wisconsin 2nd District

10:15-11:00 am Keynote Address: Gertie Galloway

11:00 am-12:00 noon: Workshops:

Mental Health for Seniors (Part 1) Sexuality for Seniors (Part 1)

Legal Issues Dog's Best Friend

12:00 noon-1:00 pm Lunch/Exhibits

1:00-2:00 pm Workshops:

Mental Health for Seniors (Part 2) Sexuality for Seniors (Part 2)

Legal Issues Safety for Seniors

2:00-3:00 pm Afternoon Break with time at Exhibits

4:00-5:00 pm Workshops:

Mental Health for Seniors (Part 3) Sexuality for Seniors (Part 3)

Legal Issues

Cardiovascular Diseases in Women

5:00-5:30 pm Closing Remarks: Gertie Galloway

5:30-6:00 pm Social Time

6:00-8:00 pm Dinner and Social Time

The legal workshops will talk about these topics:

"Are You Ready?"

"Wills"

"Living Wills"

"Trusts"

"Power of Attorney"

"Guardianships"

"Getting Appropriate Access in Legal Settings"

Exhibits will be all day but there will be time for people who go to workshops to visit the exhibits during breaks.

To register (and for latest information), please open this website, http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/sensory/Conference/ConferenceFP.HTM or contact an ODHH Regional Office nearest you for a brochure and registration form.

For those who plan to drive, here are the directions (from all points using I-90/39 and I-94 towards Madison):

- * Take exit #142A onto US-12 West (also known as Beltline or "12/18")
- * Go about 15 miles until you see Exit #252, Greenway Blvd.
- * Get off that exit and turn left on Greenway Blvd.
- * Turn left again on John Q Hammons Drive
- You will see the Marriott at 1313 John Q Hammons Drive.

Overnight lodging at the Marriott is now full for people who want to come to the conference. Alternative lodging near the Marriott is listed here for people who want to stay in Madison overnight:

Fairfield-608-831-1400 Comfort Suites-608-836-3033 Holiday Inn West-608-826-0500 Hilton Garden West-608-831-2220 Staybridge Suites-608-664-5888

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